

agreed that the dialogue on Siachen should be resumed at an early date.

(b) Government hope to have discussions on this issue soon with the Government of Pakistan.

Production and Export of Cashew Nut

4790. SHRIHARISHNARYANPRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of AGRICUTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the cashwanut Produced in the country during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the quaintly and value of casheanut exported during the said period;

(c) whether yield per cashew tree in the country is very less as compared to tother cashew growing countries; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to improve the yield per cashew tree?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) the rough estimates of State-wise Production of Cashewnut for the last three years are given below:-

<i>Name of the State</i>	<i>Production (Tonnes)</i>		
	<i>1988-89</i>	<i>1989-90</i>	<i>1990-91</i>
1. Kerala	1,36,900	1,39,500	1,42,100
2. Karnataka	23,680	24,650	25,770
3. Andhra Pradesh	34,260	36,580	37,770
4. Orissa	26,770	28,,600	29,100
5. Maharashtra	24,380	27,130	29,510
6. Goa	12,780	13,210	14,100
7. Tamil Nadu	12,360	12,430	12,470
8. West Bengal	2,890	3,170	3,440
9. Pondicherry	270	270	280
10. Tripura	50	50	50
All India	2,74,340		
		2,85, 590	2,94,590

(b) The quantity and value of the cashew kernels exported during the last three years are as under:

Year	Quantity (Tonnes)	Value (Rs. in crore)
1988-89	33,971	273.68
1989-90 (Prov.)	45,807	365.07
1990-91 (Prov)	46,812	441.40

(c) The estimates of cashewnut yield for different countries is not available. However, the yield in India during 1990-991 is 634Kg/ha.

(d) For increasing the yield of cashewnut in India both Research and Development measures are undertaken. The ICAR has evolved 22 improved varieties of cashewnut and developed effective control measures for Tea-mosquito and other pests of cashew.

The development measures being implemented for increasing yield of cashew under the Central Sector Intergrated Programme for development of cashew,, include:-

(i) Improvement of cashew by vegetative propagation and establish-

ment of Scion Banks for production of grafts.

- (ii) Planting new area with clonal material.
- (iii) Adoption of plant protection measures.
- (iv) Demonstrations for popularizing clonal cultivation.

[Translation]

Tribal Sub-Plan in Bihar

4791. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the scheme-wise amount allocated by the Union Government under Tribal Sub-Plan in Bihar during 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92;

(b) whether the Schedule Tribes of the forests areas in Bihar have also been benefited by the said scheme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAMKESRI): (a) Scheme wise amounts allocated by Ministry of Welfare to Bihar are as follows-

(Rs. in lakhs) as on 23.3.1992

Name of the Scheme	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
1. Boys Hostels*	Nil	43.34	Nil
2. Girls Hostels	Nil	17.13	68.82
3. Research & Training	0.58	1..44	9.25
4. Grant-in-aid under Article 275(i) of the constitution	216.67	216.67	215.85
5. Special Central Assistance	2731.50	2931.72	3085.25